

the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) are necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. CRUZ). Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 79, nays 16, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 155 Ex.]

#### YEAS—79

Alexander	Feinstein	Peters
Baldwin	Fischer	Portman
Barrasso	Gardner	Reed
Bennet	Graham	Risch
Blackburn	Hassan	Roberts
Blunt	Hawley	Romney
Booker	Heinrich	Rounds
Boozman	Hoeben	Rubio
Braun	Hyde-Smith	Sasse
Brown	Inhofe	Scott (FL)
Burr	Johnson	Scott (SC)
Cantwell	Jones	Shaheen
Capito	Kaine	Shelby
Carper	Kennedy	Sinema
Casey	King	Smith
Cassidy	Lankford	Stabenow
Collins	Lee	Sullivan
Coons	Loeffler	Tester
Cornyn	Manchin	Thune
Cotton	McConnell	Toomey
Cramer	McSally	Udall
Crapo	Moran	Van Hollen
Cruz	Murkowski	Whitehouse
Daines	Murphy	Wicker
Duckworth	Murray	Young
Durbin	Paul	
Enzi	Perdue	

#### NAYS—16

Blumenthal	Hirono	Schatz
Cortez Masto	Klobuchar	Schumer
Ernst	Markey	Warren
Gillibrand	Menendez	Wyden
Grassley	Merkley	
Harris	Rosen	

#### NOT VOTING—5

Cardin	Sanders	Warner
Leahy	Tillis	

The nomination was confirmed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the motion to reconsider is considered made and laid upon the table, and the President will be immediately notified of the Senate's actions.

The Senator from Kansas.

### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

#### MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session for a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. MORAN. I ask unanimous consent that Senator BLUMENTHAL, Senator COLLINS, and I be able to complete our remarks before the recess.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### EMPOWERING OLYMPIC AND AMATEUR ATHLETES ACT OF 2019

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate

proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 503, S. 2330.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2330) to amend the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act to provide for congressional oversight of the board of directors of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee and to protect amateur athletes from emotional, physical, and sexual abuse, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following:

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Empowering Olympic and Amateur Athletes Act of 2019”.

#### SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress makes the following findings:

(1) The courageous voice of survivors is a call to action to end emotional, physical, and sexual abuse in the Olympic and Paralympic movement.

(2) Larry Nassar, the former national team doctor for USA Gymnastics, sexually abused over 300 athletes for over two decades because of ineffective oversight by USA Gymnastics and the United States Olympic Committee.

(3) While the case of Larry Nassar is unprecedented in scale, the case is hardly the only recent incident of sexual abuse in amateur sports.

(4) Survivors of Larry Nassar's abuse and all survivors of abuse in the Olympic and Paralympic movement deserve justice and redress for the wrongs the survivors have suffered.

(5) After a comprehensive congressional investigation, including interviews and statements from survivors, former and current organization officials, law enforcement, and advocates, Congress found that the United States Olympic Committee and USA Gymnastics fundamentally failed to uphold their existing statutory purposes and duty to protect amateur athletes from sexual, emotional, or physical abuse.

(6) USA Gymnastics and the United States Olympic Committee knowingly concealed abuse by Larry Nassar, leading to the abuse of dozens of additional amateur athletes during the period beginning in the summer of 2015 and ending in September 2016.

(7) Ending abuse in the Olympic and Paralympic movement requires enhanced oversight to ensure that the Olympic and Paralympic movement does more to serve athletes and protect their voice and safety.

#### SEC. 3. UNITED STATES OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC COMMITTEE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 2205 of title 36, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in the chapter heading, by striking “UNITED STATES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE” and inserting “UNITED STATES OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC COMMITTEE”;

(2) in section 220501(b)(6), by striking “United States Olympic Committee” and inserting “United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee”;

(3) in section 220502, by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

“(c) REFERENCES TO UNITED STATES OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION AND UNITED STATES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE.—Any reference to the United States Olympic Association or the United States Olympic Committee is deemed to refer to the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee.”;

(4) in section 220506(a), by striking “United States Olympic Committee” and inserting “United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee”;

(5) in section 220531, by striking “United States Olympic Committee” each place it ap-

pears and inserting “United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—The table of chapters for part B of subtitle II of title 36, United States Code, is amended by striking the item relating to chapter 2205 and inserting the following:

“2205. United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee ... 220501”.

#### SEC. 4. CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT OF UNITED STATES OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC COMMITTEE AND NATIONAL GOVERNING BODIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 2205 of title 36, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating the second subchapter designated as subchapter III (relating to the United States Center for SafeSport), as added by section 202 of the Protecting Young Victims from Sexual Abuse and Safe Sport Authorization Act of 2017 (Public Law 115-126; 132 Stat. 320) as subchapter IV; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“SUBCHAPTER V—DISSOLUTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CORPORATION AND TERMINATION OF RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL GOVERNING BODIES

#### “§ 220551. Definitions

“In this subchapter, the term ‘joint resolution’ means a joint resolution—

“(1) which does not have a preamble; and

“(2) for which—

“(A)(i) the title is only as follows: ‘A joint resolution to dissolve the board of directors of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee’; and

“(ii) the matter after the resolving clause—

“(I) is as follows: ‘That Congress finds that dissolving the board of directors of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee would not unduly interfere with the operations of chapter 2205 of title 36, United States Code’; and

“(II) prescribes adequate procedures for forming a board of directors of the corporation with all reasonable expediency and in a manner that safeguards the voting power of the representatives of amateur athletes at all times; or

“(B)(i) the title is only as follows: ‘A joint resolution relating to terminating the recognition of a national governing body’; and

“(ii) the matter after the resolving clause is only as follows: ‘That Congress determines that \_\_\_\_\_, which is recognized as a national governing body under section 220521 of title 36, United States Code, has failed to fulfill its duties, as described in section 220524 of title 36, United States Code’, the blank space being filled in with the name of the applicable national governing body.

#### “§ 220552. Dissolution of board of directors of corporation and termination of recognition of national governing bodies

“(a) DISSOLUTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CORPORATION.—Effective on the date of enactment of a joint resolution described in section 220551(2)(A) with respect to the board of directors of the corporation, such board of directors shall be dissolved.

“(b) TERMINATION OF RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY.—Effective on the date of enactment of a joint resolution described in section 220551(2)(B) with respect to a national governing body, the recognition of the applicable amateur sports organization as a national governing body shall cease to have force or effect.

#### “§ 220553. Joint resolution

“(a) REFERRAL AND REPORTING.—

“(1) HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—In the House of Representatives, a joint resolution shall be referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

“(B) DISCHARGE.—The Committee on Energy and Commerce shall be discharged from further consideration of a joint resolution and the joint